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SUBJECT: KABILA NAMES NEW GOVERNMENT OCTOBER 26

REF: (A) KINSHASA 873; (B) KINSHASA 882

¶1. (U) President Joseph Kabila, in a government decree released late in the evening October 26, presented the new DRC cabinet of Prime Minister-designate Adolphe Muzito. Major changes include an increase in the number of ministers from 33 to 37 and the replacement of the three ministers of state with three new "deputy prime ministers" for (1) basic social services, (2) reconstruction, and (3) security and defense. The number of vice-ministers grew from 11 to 14. A number of prominent ministers in the previous government, including Defense Minister Chihez Diemu and Interior Minister Denis Kalume, are not in the new government.

¶2. (U) The three new positions of "deputy prime minister" correspond to the principle themes from President Kabila's October 9 national address (ref A) in which he identified security, development, and provision of services as top priorities for the new government. The National Assembly must approve the proposed cabinet by an absolute majority of its 500 members.

¶3. (U) Muzito was appointed Prime Minister by Kabila October 10 following protracted negotiations within the majority presidential alliance (AMP - "Alliance de la majorite presidentielle" in French) after the September 25 resignation of Antoine Gizenga (ref B). Bios of new ministers and analysis of the composition of the new government will follow septels.

¶4. (U) Complete list of government ministers appointed by Prime Minister-designate Adolphe Muzito October 26 per government decree 08/067 follows.

Begin ministerial appointments:

Deputy Prime Ministers:

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-- Deputy Prime Minister for Basic Social Services:  
Francois Joseph Mobutu Nzanga Ngbangawe  
-- Deputy Prime Minister for Reconstruction: Emile Bongeli  
-- Deputy Prime Minister for Security and Defense:  
Seraphin Mutombo Bakafwa Nsenda

Ministers:

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-- Minister of Decentralization and Territorial  
Organization: Antipas Mbusa Nyamwisi  
-- Minister of Interior: Celestin Mbuyu Kabangu  
-- Minister of Defense: Charles Mwando Nsimba  
-- Minister of Foreign Affairs: Alexis Thambwe Mwamba  
-- Minister of International and Regional Cooperation:  
Raymond Tshibanda  
-- Minister of Finance: Athanase Matenda  
-- Minister of Justice: Luzolo Mbambi Ntesa  
-- Minister of Planning: Olivier Kamitatu  
-- Minister of Communications and Media: Lambert Mende

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-- Minister of Relations with Parliament: Adolphe Lumanu  
Mulenda Mbo  
-- Minister of Public Works: Pierre Lumbi  
-- Minister of Economy: Andre Philippe Futa  
-- Minister of Agriculture: Norbert Basengezi  
-- Minister of Mines: Martin Kabwelulu  
-- Minister of Transport: Mathieu Fita  
-- Minister of Primary and Secondary Education: Maker  
Mwangu  
-- Minister of Budget: Michel Lokola Elemba  
-- Minister of Energy: Laurent Muzangisa  
-- Minister of Health: Auguste Mopipi Mukulumanya  
-- Minister of Higher Education: Leonard Mashako  
-- Minister of Land and Property: Mage Kisimba  
-- Minister of Culture: Esdras Kambale  
-- Minister of Energy: Rene Isekemanga  
-- Minister of Post and Telegraph: Louise Munga Mesozi  
-- Minister of Labor and Social Welfare: Ferdinand Kambere  
Kalumbi  
-- Minister of Environment: Jose Endundo  
-- Minister of State-owned Enterprises: Jeannine Mabunda  
-- Minister of Human Rights: Upio Karuwa  
-- Minister of Industry: Simon Mboso Kiamputu  
-- Minister of Public Administration: Michel Botoro  
-- Minister of Small and Medium sized Enterprises: Claude  
Nyamugabo Bazibuhe  
-- Minister of Urban Planning and Habitat: Generose  
Lushiku Muya  
-- Minister of Scientific Research: Joseph Lititiyo Afata  
-- Minister of Women's and Children's Affairs: Marie-Ange  
Lukiana

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-- Minister of Social Affairs, Humanitarian Action and  
National Solidarity: Barthelemy Botshuali Longomo  
-- Minister of Rural Development: Safi Adili  
-- Minister of Sports: Patrice Sulubika

Vice Ministers:

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-- Vice-Minister of the Interior: Zephyrin Mungongo  
-- Vice-Minister of Defense and Veterans: Oscar Massamba  
Makengo  
-- Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs: Ignace Gata  
-- Vice-Minister of Justice: Mutonda Kalusambo  
-- Vice-Minister of Public Works: Gervais Ntirumenyerwa  
Kimonyo  
-- Vice-Minister of Mines: Victor Kasongo  
-- Vice-Minister for Expatriate Congolese: Colette Tshomba  
-- Vice-Minister of Finance: Cesar Lubamba  
-- Vice-Minister of the Budget: Alain Lubamba  
-- Vice-Minister of Hydrocarbons: Gustave Beya  
-- Vice-Minister for Vocational training: Arthur Sede  
Ngamo  
-- Vice-Minister for Higher Education: Bokelem Djema  
-- Vice-Minister for Rural Development: Willy Mukoko Samba  
-- Vice-Minister for Agriculture: Kibibi Kamanzi

End list of ministerial appointments.

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